

## PROBLEMS IN PLENTY

The National Board of Trade Acts on Many Vital Questions.

### ACTS CONCERNING PUBLIC LANDS.

Congress Urged to Protect the Country from Undesirable Immigration—A Far-Going Post System Wanted—Hatchery Waterways Favored.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The national board of trade yesterday adopted resolutions declaring that "the timber and stone act, the desert land act and the commutation clause of the homestead act should be forthwith repealed and in future all agricultural and irrigable land reserved exclusively for actual settlers under the homestead act, and that in future the government should reserve the title to forest lands, selling only the stumpage of matured timber; and also that the forestry work of the government should be consolidated in the bureau of forestry of the department of agriculture; that the great irrigation works necessary to save from waste and utilize for irrigation the waters of our large western rivers should be built as rapidly as the lands will be taken and utilized by farmers in farms of 160 acres or less in area, and the entire cost of construction repaid to the government through a charge imposed on the lands reclaimed."

A resolution was adopted urging congress to provide some other method than is provided in the bills now pending before congress, for the proper protection of this country from undesirable immigration. The postal committee's report which was adopted, approved the plan to provide small government notes with spaces for making an endorsement thereon, such notes when indorsed and with a postage stamp affixed and duly cancelled to be payable at any post office on presentation by the payee. The committee recommended to congress the passage of house bill 1974, popularly known as the post check bill, and of house bill 4068, providing for the manner of payment of postage on books, catalogues and other printed matter. The committee also urged on congress the advisability of adopting a parcels post system. The reduction of letter postage to one cent an ounce was recommended.

Resolutions were adopted favoring the establishment and maintenance of judicious reciprocal commercial relations with the chief foreign markets at the world and especially with the Dominion of Canada and other contiguous countries; favoring free alcohol used in the arts and manufactures; favoring international arbitration; protesting against the issuing of coupons with the sale of tobacco favoring ratification of the Panama canal treaty; approving recent legislation extending the national navigation laws to Philippine commerce, and recommending that the laws be made effective on July 1, 1904. Resolutions were reported favoring the system of improvements under construction on the Ohio river; urging the early construction of a ship canal from the great lakes to the Atlantic seaboard; favoring the establishment of a navigable waterway from the terminus of the Chicago sanitary and ship canal to the Gulf of Mexico; favoring the acquisition by the government of the system of canals along the Atlantic coast and that the same be enlarged; recommending that the national government undertake and carry on levee construction along the Mississippi river; that congress enact such legislation as will secure a 25-foot channel from the upper limits of the city of Philadelphia to the sea.

J. E. Burke, a hardware dealer of Avery, Ok., was thrown from a hand-car and killed.

## STORMS DOWN SOUTH.

Swelling Streams and Crippled Telegraphic Service Reported—A Tornado in Texas Damaged Outhouses and Fencing.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 22.—Severe rain and electric storms prevailed last night and yesterday throughout the central southern and southwestern states, crippling telegraphic service and swelling streams beyond their banks. At midnight the storm was central over the Mississippi delta region. Telegraphic wires are interrupted to that territory and it is feared other damage has occurred.

Reports from Texas say that winds assuming proportions of a tornado swept from the mountain ranges to the west. At Austin the new woman's building at the Texas university was unroofed, causing several thousand dollars loss. Much damage was done to outhouses, fencing and forestry. No one is reported injured.

### CHEROKEES RESTLESS.

Farmers in the Nation Fear That Many Fullbloods Are About to Commit Depredations.

Checotah, I. T., Jan. 22.—Farmers who arrived here yesterday from the Canadian district of the Cherokee nation, which is only a few miles east of here, bring the information that there is some excitement among the people over there on account of the actions of many Cherokees. Hundreds of the fullbloods throughout the district are leaving their homes and property and congregating upon the Illinois river, where they are holding a secret meeting with the Keetowahs. It is feared that they expect to return and commit depredations. They have been restless and impatient for many months and now that winter is upon them and many are in almost destitute circumstances, they are becoming desperate.

### GATHERING LABOR STATISTICS.

The Kansas State Labor Commissioner Sending Out Blanks to Wage-Earners Asking for Certain Information.

Topeka, Kan., Jan. 22.—State Labor Commissioner Johnson is sending out blanks to wage-earners of the state for information for his next biennial report. He asks each wage-earner how many days he was employed last year, what he received in wages, the number of hours worked per day, the number of persons dependent upon him for support of living, whether he owns a home or rents, what his savings for the year aggregate and whether his wages have increased or decreased over the previous year. Railroad men are also asked about the number of miles they travel a day, what their pay amounts to and what suggestions they have for needed legislation.

### CHARGES AGAINST REFORMER.

J. W. Warr Indicted on Seventeen Counts by the Rock Island Grand Jury—Embezzlement Alleged.

Clinton, Ia., Jan. 22.—J. W. Warr, president of the Moline Building and Loan association, has been indicted by the Rock Island county grand jury on 17 counts. The indictments charge that he has embezzled \$31,000, although it is said his shortage will exceed \$100,000. Warr was a reformer and church worker and last spring was a candidate for mayor on the reform ticket. He is in jail in default of bonds.

Appeals Sent to the War and the Mikado. London, Jan. 22.—Two identical cable dispatches, originating with W. T. Stead and W. R. Cromer, M. P., were sent last night to the czar of Russia and the mikado of Japan, urging these potentates, if diplomacy failed, to submit the far eastern dispute to The Hague tribunal. The messages are lengthy and they appeal specially to the czar, as "the courageous originator of The Hague conference," to take the initiative in referring the matter to The Hague. The appeals are signed by 80 prominent English advocates of arbitration.

Kansas Democratic Convention Called. Topeka, Kan., Jan. 22.—The democratic state committee met here last night and called a state convention to meet at Wichita April 7. This gathering will select delegates to the national convention and also choose a date for another state convention to nominate state officers, which will be held in Topeka. No attempt was made last night to endorse any presidential candidate. The prevailing sentiment was against fusion with the populists.

Delegates to Convene a Week Earlier. Winona, Minn., Jan. 22.—Debate announcement was made last night by Irwin Shepard, secretary, that the executive committee of the National Educational association has changed the date of the opening of the annual convention in St. Louis from July 5 to June 28, placing the convention one week earlier than planned so as to avoid conflict with the national democratic convention.

Millions to Go Away with Credits. Pittsburgh, Kan., Jan. 22.—The millers and flour manufacturers of southeastern Kansas and southwestern Missouri have agreed to do away with credits and start the new year on a cash basis.

Military Ball at Jefferson City. Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 22.—The annual military ball will be given at the executive mansion here to-night. Invitations were issued to the national guard organizations.

Willie Sells the Showman, will sell his circus at public auction at Topeka, Kan., on February 3.

Ex-Sheriff Davis committed suicide yesterday at Klamath, Kan., by shooting himself.

## PROTECTION UPHELD.

The American Protective Tariff League Meets at New York.

### ADDRESS ISSUED TO PROTECTIONISTS.

Statistics Concerning Our Trade—Selfishness in Competitive Products Declared to Be Unsound in Principle and Perilous in Practice.

New York, Jan. 22.—The nineteenth annual meeting of the American Protective Tariff league was held yesterday. The report of the secretary showed a membership of 878 in 22 different states. The league unanimously adopted an address "to the protectionists of the United States." The address says: "It may be that considerations of sentiment or even of party expediency seem to party managers wiser guides in some particular emergency than rigid adherence to the national policy of protection. It may be that a party organization can take that view and act on it without injury to itself, but such a course can no more be pursued by an organization dedicated to the cause of protection than an individual can depart from the line of rectitude in order to benefit others."

"With imports of \$1,000,000,000 for 1903, being \$26,000,000 above the highest mark previously reached, and with exports amounting to \$1,844,668,137, nearly \$30,000,000 greater than the total for any preceding year, we are unable to perceive the necessity for the abandonment of protection in order that our foreign trade may be increased. With a foreign trade aggregating \$2,500,000,000 and steadily growing, it would seem that we are already getting a fair share of world traffic. But it must not be forgotten that our internal trade reaches \$30,000,000,000 yearly. To the care and preservation of the great home market, with its trade of \$30,000,000,000, protection stands especially committed."

"In annual meeting assembled we reaffirm the position taken by the tariff league adopted on January 15, 1903, and declare:

"That reciprocity in competitive products is unsound in principle, pernicious in practice and condemned by experience. It is contrary alike to the national policy of protection to the fair treatment of domestic producers and to friendly relations with foreign countries."

"It is neither ethical nor economic, since it seeks to benefit some industries by the sacrifice of others. Reciprocity in competitive products is the policy of favoritism. It tends to array industry against industry, section against section at home and to foment commercial retaliation and political antagonism abroad. True American policy is protection of all the opportunities and possibilities of the American market for American enterprises and fair, equal trade treatment for all other countries."

### THE CARS RAN WILD.

Three Men Killed and Two Others Badly Injured in the House Mine Near Walsenburg, Col.

Walsenburg, Col., Jan. 22.—Three Slav coal miners in the Rouse mine, ten miles from Walsenburg, were instantly killed at seven o'clock yesterday morning and two others were badly injured by 80 empty coal cars running wild down the incline tunnel of the workings. The dead are: John Nogie, Richard Nogie and John Kis. The names of the injured cannot be learned. John and Richard Nogie were brothers. None of the dead were married.

The accident occurred 1,000 feet from the mouth of the tunnel and the mine officials and Coroner Hunt, of Huerfano county, say no one was to blame but the men themselves. The five men had no business on the track at that point, as there was 40 feet of space on one side of the rails.

### FLOODS IN IOWA.

Two Levees Break, Causing Heavy Loss to Farmers Having Land in Wheat-Northern River Overflowing.

Keokuk, Ia., Jan. 22.—A repetition of last summer's flood seems probable. A gorge has formed at the mouth of the Des Moines river and the water has backed up over miles of lowlands in the Missouri and Iowa bottoms. The Fox river has overflowed its banks. Indian Grove levee, two miles south of here on the Mississippi, and the Lima lake levee broke yesterday, causing heavy losses to farmers having land in wheat. The ice still holds in the Mississippi, but the water has risen two feet in 24 hours.

The Audience Seared by Smoke. Cleveland, O., Jan. 22.—Half the audience in the Star theater left the building yesterday during a matinee because of a fire next door which sent smoke into the theater. There was no danger, but there was excitement when the smoke began pouring into the theater.

A Live Bomber Taken to Pieces by Pupils. Sioux City, Ia., Jan. 22.—During a class rush between freshmen and sophomores of Morningside college a live bomber, decked in class colors, was torn to pieces. The faculty and the humane society have started an investigation and suspensions may follow.

A Fertilizer Plant Burned. Norfolk, Va., Jan. 21.—The plant of the American Fertilizer company, situated at Portsmouth, near the navy yard, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, \$100,000. Two persons are reported to have lost their lives in the fire.

## GET-RICH-QUICK SCHEME.

The Competition of Turf Investment Companies Held to Have Caused the Collapse of Two Other Concerns.

New York, Jan. 22.—That competition of turf investment companies presiding to pay five per cent weekly investments caused the merger of the Federal Securities company and the American Finance and Mortgage company, offering respectively only five and ten per cent monthly, was testified to yesterday by Fernando Bailes, president of the Federal company, during a hearing on the application of depositors to have him and other promoters of the concern declared bankrupt.

The American Finance and Mortgage company was put out of business by the police, but not before it had secured, so the applicants, Joseph H. Clark, of Wyoming, O., and E. E. Murphy and E. W. Spinning, of Cincinnati, charge, more than \$1,000,000 from various parts of the country by alluring advertisements.

Mr. Bailes said that he had no duties except to lend his name as president, for which his pay was \$50 a week. He was never in the office of the company and had never seen its books.

### OPPOSED TO SELLING LAND.

Many Cherokees Fullbloods Hiding Themselves Not to Let the White Man Get Their Allotments.

Vian, I. T., Jan. 22.—It is reported here that there is being organized among the Cherokee fullbloods who are opposed to the allotment of lands a society, the members of which bind themselves that when they receive their allotments they will never sell nor lease any part of their land to a white man. This is because the Indians dislike the intrusion of the white man and the breaking up of the old habits and mode of life of the Indians. It is said that the Keetowahs will join this organization. There are several hundred of them.

### A LAKE OF OIL TAPPED.

The Oil Body Encountered at a Depth of 2,775 Feet at Spindle Top Heights, Near Florence, Col.

Florence, Col., Jan. 22.—The United Oil company, while drilling well No. 312 on Spindle Top heights, three miles south of here, tapped the first lake of oil ever discovered in Colorado. The oil body was encountered at a depth of 2,775 feet. The well has a capacity equal to that of any six wells in this field. The general manager, Mr. Wallace, announced that the oil in the new well had risen to within a few hundred feet of the surface and that 500 barrels per day could easily be pumped.

### Found Dead in a Refrigerator Car.

St. Louis, Jan. 22.—A body identified by Chinese letters and papers found in the pockets as Long Yieke, of Toronto, Can., was found in an ice-stocked refrigerator car that had just reached St. Louis from Montpelier, Ind., to be loaded. The papers and cards were taken to Chinese merchants in St. Louis and from the parts translated the police reached the conclusion that Yieke had been living in Toronto and had smuggled himself across the line. His presence in the car is accounted for in that he attempted to steal a ride and was unable to open the car door after drawing it shut.

### For Improving the Missouri River.

Washington, Jan. 22.—The Missouri River improvement association yesterday before the house committee on rivers and harbors advocated a project to devote \$1,000,000 a year for the next ten or 12 years to control the current and protect the banks of that river. The delegation was headed by H. T. Clark, of Omaha, president of the association. Senator Millard and the entire Nebraska delegation in the house, as well as Representatives Burke and Martin, of South Dakota, and members of the association presented arguments to the committee.

### Holland Society Dinner at New York.

New York, Jan. 22.—More than 400 members and guests of the Holland society of New York last night attended an annual dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria. The toast included "Peace," William J. Bryan; "Holland, Our Ally in the Revolution," Rev. George C. Lorimer; "The Friendly Relations of the Dutch with Other Nations," Sir Cheung Lian Chang; "Our Hero Ancestors," James M. Beck.

### The Sunny South Handicap Shoot.

Brunham, Tenn., Jan. 22.—W. H. Herr, of Concordia, Kan., yesterday conceded to Turney E. Hubby, of Waco, Tex., the silver cup denoting the winner of the Sunny South handicap shoot, the two dividing the purse. Dave Curran, of Ennis, Tex., won the Chronicle silver cup with 81 out of a possible 100 targets.

### A Bridge Carried Away by Ice.

Sandusky, O., Jan. 22.—During yesterday an ice gorge formed in Miller's creek and a bridge of the Big Four was carried away. The gorge did much damage. It was blown to pieces with dynamite.

### An Oil Well Shot Near Newkirk.

Newkirk, Ok., Jan. 22.—The Newkirk Gas and Mineral company shot its oil well east of here yesterday afternoon. The oil was shot to a height of 300 feet. The well is not a gusher.

## NATIONAL BOARD OF TRADE.

A Report Favoring Currency Reform Legislation Adopted—Hot Debate on Report on Money and Markets.

Washington, Jan. 22.—At yesterday's session of the National Board of Trade resolutions were adopted favoring the appointment of a standing committee of seven to be known as the committee on conference with the department of commerce and labor, urging liberal appropriation by congress to bring the new department up to a full measure of efficiency and declaring that it would be unwise for the National Board of Trade to become an incorporated body at this time.

The report was adopted favoring currency reform legislation, identical in form with that adopted by the board one year ago.

The committee on merchant marine presented a resolution favoring legislation authorizing the appointment of a committee to investigate and report to congress upon the condition of the American merchant marine with a view of its encouragement by national aid. The resolution favored the suggestion of the president in his last annual message to congress as to the personnel of the commission.

The report of the committee on rivers and harbors, presented by George Anderson, of Pittsburgh, caused considerable feeling and when it was moved to recommit the report Mr. Anderson declared that he was not sure there ever would be another meeting of the board if this were done. The report was taken up item by item. Improvements of the Ohio river, it was urged, should be prosecuted without delay until continuous and unobstructed navigation shall be secured from its headwaters. The item was approved. A recommendation that the Chicago drainage canal be increased in size by the United States for navigation to the gulf was recommended, opposition developing from Cleveland, New York and Boston delegates, who broadly intimated that Chicago should build her own canal.

Resolutions for a coastwise ship canal and for the improvement of the Philadelphia harbor also were recommended.

Mr. Hitchcock, of Scranton, Pa., thereupon moved to recommit the whole report. A hot discussion followed, but finally in the interests of harmony Mr. Hitchcock withdrew his motion to recommit and that of Mr. Wise, of New York, adopting the report of the committee insofar as it had been adopted by clauses by the board and recommitting the other sections which had been voted down, was carried.

The board adopted a resolution of the American Warehousemen's association asking for the continuation of the investigation into the preservation of food and food products; also a resolution presented by the interstate commerce commission favoring the strengthening of the existing laws in regard to fraudulent and irregular practices in passenger traffic; also a resolution presented by Mr. England, of the National Transportation committee, asking the official southern and western classification committee to provide for a uniform bill of lading.

The committee on grain inspection brought in majority and minority reports. The only votes polled for the minority report were those from Chicago in favor of grain inspection. The majority report opposing inspection was adopted.

During the afternoon the delegates were received by the president at the white house.

### THE DAWES COMMISSION.

Its Members Ask for a Definite Tribunal Before Which They Can Hear the Charges Made Against Them.

Washington, Jan. 21.—The secretary of the interior yesterday sent to the senate the memorial of members of the Dawes commission in relation to charges against them made by R. C. Adams, attorney for certain Delaware Indians in the Cherokee nation. The charges reflect upon the official and personal integrity of the members of the commission in connection with the Delaware segregation of 157,600 acres of land in the Cherokee nation. The commissioners deny all the charges and explain in detail the manner in which the segregation was conducted. They ask authority to meet their accusers before a definite tribunal and to produce official and sworn testimony on file at the interior department.



### FIBROID TUMORS CURED.

Mrs. Hayes' First Letter Appealing to Mrs. Pinkham for Help:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I have been under Boston doctors' treatment for a long time without any relief. They tell me I have a fibroid tumor. I cannot sit down without great pain, and the soreness extends up my spine. I have bearing-down pains both back and front. My abdomen is swollen, and I have had flowing spells for three years. My appetite is not good. I cannot walk or be on my feet for any length of time."

"The symptoms of Fibroid Tumor given in your little book accurately describe my case, so I write to you for advice."—(Signed) Mrs. E. F. HAYES, 252 Dudley St. (Roxbury), Boston, Mass.

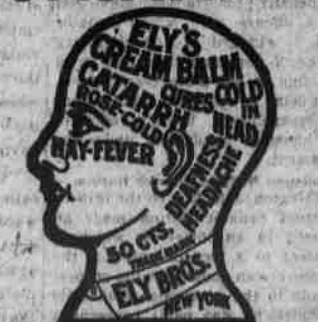
### Mrs. Hayes' Second Letter:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—Sometime ago I wrote to you describing my symptoms and asked your advice. You replied, and I followed all your directions carefully, and to-day I am a well woman."

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Farmers and breeders from everywhere invited. It will pay you to write and get my catalogue and come to the sale, or send bids to me or my auctioneers, Col. F. E. Luther, Hon. G. R. Vandalingham, in my care at Concordia, Kansas.

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